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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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FOR: TRANSPORTATION APPARATUS :
AND DRIVE MECHANISM :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.